# CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT AGENDA REPORT

September 30, 2014

New Business

# ITEM K.3

## **Drought-Related State Water Use Restrictions**

The City and the South Coast Water District have established some new limitations and regulations on residential water use that are intended to cut back on usage to preserve what little is left in our reservoirs:

#### **Outdoor Use**

- water your yard and plants in the early morning or evening before 6 am and after 9 pm
- reduce the sprinkler run time to under 10 minutes what doesn't soak in runs off
- keep mulch around plants and on your lawn to reduce evaporation
- no hosing off driveways and walkways USE A BROOM AND DUSTPAN
- repair sprinkler heads
- replace lawn areas with drought-tolerant California Friendly plants

### **Indoor Use**

- turn off the water when brushing teeth and take shorter showers
- fix leaking faucets and running toilets
- wash full loads of laundry instead of just a few special items
- replace any older toilets with low-volume flush toilets

The Water District is asking that you only water outdoors on Mon-Wed-Sat before 6 am or after 9 pm and take your cars to an automated car washing facility – they are required to recycle water so much less is used. If you must wash your car by hand, put it up onto a lawn and use a water nozzle with a spring-loaded shut off handle.

DON'T WASTE ANOTHER MINUTE WASTING WATER